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Serial No.: 10/727,655 Art Unit: 1614
Filed: December 5, 2003
Title: COMBINATIONS OF RETIGABINE AND SODIUM CHANNEL
INHIBITORS OR SODIUM CHANNEL-INFLUENCING
ACTIVE COMPOUNDS FOR TREATING PAINS

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4,668,684 to Tibes et al, copies of which are enclosed, correspond to WO 00/59508, EP 189,788, and DE 3604575, respectively, and are submitted in lieu of translations.

L. Beck and M. Beck, *Der Gynaekologe*, 35:490-494 (2002) deals with the causes, diagnosis and treatment of "Kreuzschmerzen" (lumbago, lower back pain) in the practice of gynecology. The relevant portion is the paragraph entitled "Medikamente" on page 494, which translates as follows:

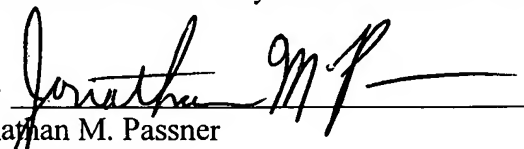
Medication: Initially, myotonolytics (muscle relaxants such as Predinol™ and Myoson™) as well as non-opioid analgesics are recommended for short term application. When inflammation is involved, the use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agents is indicated. Opioids should be limited to cases of chronic pain. With persistent pain, newer medicines such as flupirtine (Katadolon™) and tolperisone (Mydocalm™) are given.

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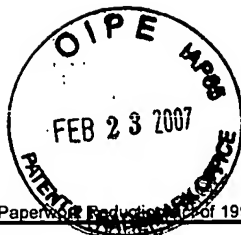
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